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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment issued on August 9, 2006, in respect of a response dated July 24, 2006, to a non-final Office Action dated April 17, 2006. In that Action, it was indicated that Claims 1 to 59 were allowable, provided minor amendments to the dependency of Claims 32 and 33. The dependency of those claims was amended so that they are now dependent on Claim 28 instead of Claim 35.

In response to the Notice of August 9, 2006, the Applicant now submits: (i) an amended set of claims; (ii) a request for a 4 month extension of time; and (ii) remarks and comments made in response to Notice, as set out on the following pages.